

# What 2019 will bring to EUYO?

## CEO Marshall Marcus spills a few beans about what's coming up

As we end 2018, *European Year of Cultural Heritage*, it's time to look ahead to next year, and see what the EUYO is about to get up to.

Spare a thought for the **EUYO audition committee** as the New Year approaches. Whilst many people are putting their feet up for the festive season, the EUYO's tutors will be sifting through thousands of audition videos and reports in order to pick the 2019 Orchestra - around 120 members and sundry reserves. The announcement, all being well, should be in late January. Watch this space.

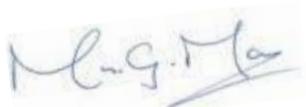
Before that, the **EUYO's 2019 programme** will have begun with a performance of Enesco's fiery string octet at the grand London home of the Romanian Cultural Institute in a concert celebrating Romania's National Day of Culture on 15 January, and the start of the Romanian EU Presidency. This is quickly followed by EUYO players joining alumni from Claudio Abbado's orchestras in a commemoration concert in Bologna marking the 5<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the EUYO's founding music director.

The Orchestra will mount **three major projects during 2019** – the spring and summer tours, and the 2<sup>nd</sup> edition of the Ferrara Chamber Academy in September. These events will include residencies in Ferrara, our Grafenegg summer home, and Bolzano. Plus a yet to be announced residency in Berlin. More on that in early 2019. Our *Capital Sounds* project moves to Luxembourg in April, and we will be making debuts in a number of places including the highly acclaimed ElbPhilharmonie in Hamburg and the Royal Opera House in Muscat, Oman.

A theme runs through a lot of our work next year in which we look at how players and audiences listen, and in March we launch a major new project in Ferrara: ***Orchestra in Città!*** (Orchestra in the City).

Much more is to come, but it would be a pity to spill *all* of the beans just yet. Meanwhile we will try to catch our breath after our busiest year on record as well as having achieved the small matter of moving our headquarters and legal seat from the UK to Italy.

So ***Buon Natale e buon anno a tutti!***




Marshall Marcus, Chief Executive of EUYO

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